**Genealogy Club**

*Tuesday, October 3, 4PM*

This month we welcome guest speaker Bob O’Neill, Cemetery Sexton for the Town of Meredith. Mr. O’Neill will explain the office of Cemetery Sexton and what types of records are held by them. Retired Cemetery Sexton, John Calvin will also be joining us. Find out what to ask next time you want to visit an ancestor’s grave and what secrets their records might hold.

Eagle Scout candidate Owen Billin will be here to discuss his project involving photographing and transcribing all of the headstone in Meredith’s 91 cemeteries using Billion Graves.

We will also learn how to obtain death records, obituaries and even information that is held at funeral homes. This should be an interesting meeting! All are welcome and refreshments will be served. Sponsored by the Friends of the Meredith Library.

**Computer Club**

*October 10, 10:00AM*

Meets the second Tuesday of each month.

**Check Out a Kindle Fire**

The library has three Kindle Fires for circulation. Watch a movie or TV show using our Amazon Prime account or request a book we can download for you.

**Library Mission Statement**

The Meredith Public Library’s mission is to be the educational, inspirational and cultural heart of Meredith now and in the future. Through exceptional staff, a broad range of materials and a supportive community, the library provides innovative service to meet the needs of the 21st century patron.

**Are You Talented?**

Do you have a special skill such as knitting, scrapbooking or model train building you’d be willing to share with others at the library? Are you an artist looking for a place to display your work? If so, please contact the library. If displaying artwork please ask for Linda Hough. If you would like to present a program at the library please contact Erin Apostolos.

**One-on-One Technology Training**

Need help with your new tablet, laptop or smart phone? Is your email giving you problems? Sign up for a one-on-one session with Chris or Matthew.

**Check out our very awesome telescope.**

Take it home for one week. (Must be at least 18 years of age with a valid driver’s license.)

**Genealogy at the Library**

October is Family History month and the Meredith Public Library has access to several genealogy databases to help you find your roots. The largest is Ancestry.com, thanks to a generous donation from the Friends of the Library. It is only accessible while in the library but can be accessed via your own laptop. Images and records may be downloaded to your device, a thumb drive or emailed to you.

Access the United States, United Kingdom and Canadian Censuses, vital records from numerous states and countries, immigration, naturalization and military records as well street directories, yearbooks, images and so much more.

You can choose to narrow your search by countries or states or by the types of records that you wish to find, but with over 10,000 different databases of information, there is bound to be something for everyone.

The third database to which the library subscribes is Heritage Quest, which is on the only one of the three which may be accessed from home. It focuses on records from the United States, but does include access to digital genealogy books that are world-wide. US Federal Censuses from 1790-1940, Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty Records, City Directories, Freedman’s Bank records and the US Serial Set may all be accessed from the comfort of home.

To access, go to http://www.meredithlibrary.org and hover your mouse over “Services” and then click on “Genealogy”. Then click on the database of your choice. Please note that in order for the (continued on page 7)
From the Clock Tower
News from the Children’s Room
October 2017

Whimsical Tales
Wed. mornings from
10:00 to 11:00

This story time is geared for children 3 & up. We will read stories, enjoy a craft & have a snack! Younger children are welcomed!

There will be fun stories, folk tales, a little poetry & the classics!

No sign-up required * Coffee for grown-ups!

Whimsical Tales Halloween Party
Wed. Oct. 25 from 10 to 11

It’s that time of year again. Time to party! Wear your costume, enjoy a scary story. Create a “ghostly” banner & have a Halloweenie snack!

No sign-up required * All little people invited

Sleepy Hollow Saturday Story Time
October 28 from 11 to 12

Visit us this crispy fall morning and listen to the Legend of Sleepy Hollow, Ichabod Crane loves a good ghost story, especially about the headless horseman!!!

Craft, Snack & Goody Bag! We meet in the children’s room. Must sign-up, limit 15 kids!

Tot Time Reading Circle
Fri. mornings 10 to 11

Oct. 6, 13, & 20

Join us in the function room for stories, puppet friends, and beautiful artwork created by you!

Let’s do the alphabet, learn sign language, a new letter each week!

This is a warm friendly group of parents and children, come read and play! Older children are welcomed!

No sign-up required * Coffee for grown-ups!

Spooky Tot Time Halloween Party
Friday, Oct. 27 from
10:00 to 11:00

Whoosh! Goes the wind as you rush into the library and join your little friends downstairs for a “spooktacular” story!

Wear your costume, listen to a Halloween story, enjoy a craft & have a treat!

No sign-up required * Coffee served

LEGO Club
with Mr. John will be Thurs. Oct. 5 & 19 from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Function Room.
Come and build! Make something creepy!

Pumpkin Carving Party- Oct. 20 from 3:30 to 4:30
All ages invited! Must sign-up for this event! No school today!

This and That
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Databases to work, you must access them from the library’s website. To use Heritage Quest from home:

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( Use the first digit in the username is a Zero.)

The library also has a genealogy club that meets once a month, usually the first Tuesday of the month at 4:00PM. All experience levels are welcome. Read all about this month’s activities on the last page of this newsletter.

Books on Tap at Hart’s Turkey Farm
Tuesday, October 3, 6:30PM

Please join us for this laid back book discussion. We chat about what we’re reading, favorite books and TV series/movies based on favorite books. Share what you’re reading and be ready to jot down some ideas for your next favorite book! Please note that this is not a library sponsored event and the library is not responsible for any purchases at Harts.

Historic Hikes of New Hampshire
Tuesday, October 17, 6:30PM

Most hiking destinations have a story to tell. Some in particular have an unusual and fascinating tale and a few tell of significant aspects of New Hampshire’s past. In fact they convey the unique character of the Granite State. Gordon DuBois, local hiker and journalist for the Laconia Daily Sun, will take you on five virtual hikes to places that have played a predominant part in the history of our state. In some respects this history has been lost with demographical and economic changes over the past hundred years. This program will bring you in touch with New Hampshire’s history, through the photographs and stories from the trails that lead to the New Hampshire of yesterday.

Free and open to the public. Light refreshments served. Sponsored by the Friends of the Meredith Library.

Exemplary Country Estates of New Hampshire
Tuesday, November 7, 6:00PM

In the early 20th century, the New Hampshire Board of Agriculture launched a program to boost the rural economy and promote tourism through the sale of abandoned farms to summer residents. After introducing the country house movement, Cristina Ashjian focuses attention on some of the great country estates featured in the New Hampshire program between 1902 and 1913. Which private estates were recognized as exemplary, and who were their owners? Using historic images and texts, Ashjian discusses well-known estates now open to the public such as The Fells on Lake Sunapee, The Rocks in Bethlehem, Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site in Cornish, and she includes local examples when possible. Sponsored by the NH Humanities Council.

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New Adult Items
(ask for the full list at the desk)

Fiction
Adler-Olsen- The scarred woman
Benn- The devouring
Brown-Origin
Cussler- The Romanov secret
DeMille- The Cuban affair
Ellison- Lie to me
Mills- Enemy of the state
Follett- Column of fire
Grafton- Y is for yesterday
Jance- Proof of life
Lagercrantz- The girl who takes an eye for an eye
LeCarre- Legacy of spies
Mayor- Trace
Overholt- Promise of ruin
Parker- The hangman’s sonnet
Patterson- Haunted
Perry- Echo of murder
Sager- Final girls
Viets- Fire & Ashes
Woods- Barely legal

Biographies
Adler- The girl with seven names
Andersen- Fantasyland
Basu- Victoria & Abdul
Bredesen- The end of Alzheimer’s
Clinton- What happened
Gardner- Motley Fool
Hopper- Bear Island
Chapel
Scott- It takes two
Talty- The Black Hand
Tegman- Life 3.0
Williams- White working class
Young- Dissent in America

Nonfiction
Autopsy of Jane Doe
Cure for wellness
Fate of the furious
Guardians of Galaxy 2
Midnight Swim
Wonder Woman

Detective Montalbano- Seasons 1-9
Fear the walking dead- Season 1 & 2
Helix- Season 2
Modern Family- Season 8
Narcos- Season 2
Ripper St.- Season 5
This is us- Season 1

DVDs- NonFiction
The Vietnam War

Mystery Book Group

Fatal Grace by Louise Penny
Thursday, October 12, 10:30AM.

Copies available for checkout at the circulation desk. Light refreshments will be served. Open to the public.

From Good Reads:

"With his trademark compassion and courage, Gamache digs beneath the idyllic surface of village life to find the dangerous secrets long buried there. For a Quebec winter is not only staggeringly beautiful but deadly, and the people of Three Pines know better than to reveal too much of themselves. But other dangers are becoming clear to Gamache. As a bitter wind blows into the village, something even more chilling is coming for Gamache himself."

Friends of the Library

Thank you so much to many volunteers, businesses and racers who made the Book It! 5K another success. The Friends earned a net gain of $4400 in donations and race registrations!

Once Read Books has re-opened in the Meredith Crosspoint Shopping Plaza, next to Hannaford Supermarket. You are welcome to the grand reopening on Wednesday, October 4 from 11:00AM-1:00PM, with a ribbon cutting at noon. The store is open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 9 am to 1 pm. The store is staffed by dedicated volunteers and we are always looking for more helping hands to join us! If you are interested in joining us please feel free to contact Judy Hodgess at pawscat@hotmail.com OR ... stop in and see what we are all about!

The next meeting of the Friends will be Wednesday, October 25 at 3:30 PM. It is open to all Friends and those that would like to join. Library Director Erin Apostolos will be showing us all of the features available on the library’s Website.

Thank you for being a friend!
**THE VIEW FROM THE BALCONY**

Goings-on for Teens/Tweens, Ages 10-18

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**Halloween TAB**

Let's get spooked out and decorate the balcony! We're talking spider webs, skulls, pumpkins, and lots more. Plus, once we've gotten that taken care of, we're going to retire to the function room for snacks (including our annual no-hands donut eating contest), and the chance to craft magnetic LED Batarangs!

The Teen Advisory Board helps Mr. John pick books for the collection, plan teen events, and decorate the balcony. No need to sign up, just come to our meetings and make the library YOUR library.

**Young Writers Group**

Do you like to make up stories, write stuff, or maybe just doodle your own creations? Well then stop by the Young Writers Group every other Friday throughout the school year for writing related games and activities, and the chance to just hang out with creative people just like yourself! Ages 8-18, no need to sign up just stop by!

**Pumpkin Carving**

This popular event is back again this year! We'll provide the pumpkins and carving tools, and you provide the creativity to create fun jack-o-lanterns! There will be snacks and cider, plus plenty of help for little hands! Pumpkins are limited, so sign up in advance by stopping by the Children's Room or calling us.

This is an all-ages event, so bring the whole family!

**Graphic Novel of the Month**

Every month we select a new title that you'll love! We have teasers on our website, and then we meet at the end of the month to take a closer look. This month we'll be reading "The Rise of Aurora West" by Paul Pope. Paul Pope is Mr. John's favorite current cartoonist, and this book is the prequel to his awesome Battle Boy series!

This extraordinary world is rife with monsters and short on heroes... but in this action-driven story, we see it through a new pair of eyes: Aurora West, daughter of the last great hero, Haggard West. She seeks to uncover the mystery of her mother's death, and to find her place in a world overrun with supernatural monsters and human corruption.

Books are selected for ages 8-18, and may contain some PC violence or language. Books will be on the YA Balcony when they're available!

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